### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE	)
COMMISSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL	)
SURCHARGE MECHANISM OF EAST KENTUCKY	)
POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR THE	)
SIX-MONTH BILLING PERIODS ENDING	) CASE NO. 2007-00378
JUNE 30, 2006 AND DECEMBER 31, 2006, FOR	)
THE TWO-YEAR BILLING PERIOD ENDING	)
JUNE 30, 2007, AND THE PASS THROUGH	)
MECHANISM FOR ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER	)
DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES	)

## ORDER

The Commission, on its own motion, hereby finds that the sixteen distribution cooperatives that are members of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("EKPC") should be made parties to this case. The reason for this finding is that the issues under review in this case include the environmental surcharge pass through mechanism which is a part of the tariffs of each distribution cooperative and is used to bill retail customers for the wholesale environmental surcharge costs billed by EKPC. Those cooperatives are:

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation
Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc.
Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc.
Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative
Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Inter-County Energy Cooperative Corporation
Jackson Energy Cooperative
Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation
Shelby Energy Cooperative, Inc.
South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

The Commission further finds that each of the aforementioned distribution cooperatives should respond to the information request attached hereto as Appendix A.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The sixteen distribution cooperatives identified in the findings above are made parties to this case and they shall individually or jointly file responses to the information request set forth in Appendix A attached hereto.
- 2. a. The information requested herein shall be filed within 20 days of the date of this Order.
- b. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and 7 copies to the Commission.
- c. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

d. Any party shall make timely amendment to any prior responses if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

e. For any requests to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

3. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 1st day of May, 2008.

By the Commission

Executive Director

#### APPENDIX A

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2007-00378 DATED MAY 1, 2008

- 1. Has your cooperative experienced any problems in administering its environmental surcharge pass through mechanism over the 2-year period under review in this case? If yes, explain in detail the nature of the problems and any suggested changes to cure the problems.
- 2. Has your cooperative received any customer complaints regarding the environmental surcharge pass through mechanism during the 2-year period under review in this case? If yes, state the number of complaints received, the nature of each complaint, and the service classification of each customer making a complaint.
- 3. Does your cooperative believe that its environmental surcharge pass through mechanism has operated reasonably over the 2-year period under review in this case? If no, explain in detail.
- 4. Does your cooperative have any recommended changes for its existing environmental surcharge pass through mechanism? If yes, explain in detail the nature of each change and the reasons why the change is needed.